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Ryota KIDO et al.

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For: RUBBER-REINFORCED STYRENE TRANSPARENT RESIN COMPOSITION AND

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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Sir:

A corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested for the above-identified application.

The (updated) filing receipt incorrectly identifies the filing fee that was paid as being "1546". The filing fee paid should be --1726--. A check in the amount of \$1,726.00 was attached to the response to the Notice to File Missing Parts filed on October 25, 2001 (for payment of the official filing fee (\$740.00), payment of the fee for additional claims (\$576.00 for 32 additional claims), payment of the fee for multiple dependent claims (\$280.00), and

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payment of the fee for late filing of the Declaration (\$130.00)). The Office refunded an amount of \$180.00 to our Deposit Account No. 111833 on November 11, 2001. This refund would reduce the filing fee to \$1546.00. However, the reason for this refund is not clear and is believed to be improper for the reasons explained below.

A Preliminary Amendment was filed with the application on July 26, 2001. As a result of the Preliminary Amendment, each of claims 4-18 is multiply dependent (directly or indirectly) on three prior claims (i.e., a total of 45 claims). Claims 1, 2, 3, 19 and 20 recite a single dependency and claim 21 recites a multiple dependency of two claims (i.e., a total of 7 claims). Thus, the total number of claims for fee purposes is fifty-two (52).

The filing receipt also incorrectly identifies the number of total claims filed in the application as "21." The application includes claims 1-21. However, as explained above, these claims include multiple dependencies. Additionally, 21 total claims is inconsistent with the filing fee of "1546" on the filing receipt and the correct filing fee of "1726". A total number of claims of 21 would require a filing fees of only \$888.00 (basic fee (\$740.00), fee for one excess claim (\$18.00) and fee for late

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filing of the declaration (\$130.00)). A copy of the Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of the postcard with the OIPE date stamp which identifies the Preliminary Amendment filed on July 26, 2001.

Additionally the address of the fifth inventor (Yoshiyuki Yamamoto) is not consistent with the addresses of the other four inventors. The address of Yoshiyuki Yamamoto should be --Mie, Japan-- to be consistent with the others. A copy of the declaration is also enclosed.

A copy of the filing receipt with the error marked in red is also enclosed.

In the event any fees are required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 111833.

Respectfully submitted,

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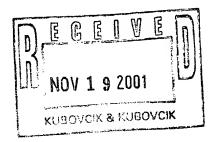
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